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Patent  
Attorney's Docket No. 028726-022

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| In re Patent Application of | ) |                              |
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| Arun Majumdar et al.        | ) | Group Art Unit: Unassigned   |
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| Application No.: 10/715,017 | ) | Examiner: Unassigned         |
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| Filed: November 17, 2003    | ) | Confirmation No.: Unassigned |
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| For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  | ) |                              |
| MUTIPLEXED BIOMOLECULAR     | ) |                              |
| ANALYSIS                    | ) |                              |
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- ☒ Also enclosed is/are Preliminary Amendment and Return Postcard.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$385.00 (2801) ☐ \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☒ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

| A M E N D E D   C L A I M S  |               |   |              |                    |           |
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|  | No. OF CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE               | ADD'L FEE |
| Total Claims   | 63            | MINUS 61 =                                | 2            | × \$18.00 (1202) = | 36.00     |
| Independent Claims   |               | MINUS =                                   |              | × \$86.00 (1201) = | 0         |
| If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$290.00 (1203)             |               |   |              |                    |           |
| Total Claim Amendment Fee  |               |   |              |                    | 36.00     |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee |               |   |              |                    | 0         |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT                            |               |   |              |                    | 36.00     |

☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.

☒ Charge \$ 36.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.


The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Please enter the following preliminary amendment for the above-referenced patent application. No new matter has been added through the amendments.

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